

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

Mahmoud KHALIL,

Petitioner,

v.

William P. JOYCE, in his official capacity as Acting Field Office Director, New York City Field Office, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, *et al.*,

Respondents.

**Case No. 25-cv-1935 (JMF)**

**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE**

I, ZAWAREEN ZAKARIA, declare under penalty of perjury, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, that the following is true and correct:

1. I am not a party to the above-captioned action, am 18 years of age or older, and am an employee of the New York Civil Liberties Union Foundation.
2. On the 11<sup>th</sup> of March, 2025, at 11:04 a.m., at the address of the U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York, 86 Chambers Street, Third Floor, New York, New York, 10007, I served one true copy of each of the following documents on the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York in the above-captioned matter:
  - a. Petitioner's Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus (ECF 2);
  - b. Civil Cover Sheet (ECF 3);
  - c. Court's Notice of Conference (ECF 9);
  - d. Petitioner's Motion to Compel Respondents to Return Petitioner to this District (ECF 11); and
  - e. Declaration of Amy Greer (ECF 11-1).

3. This method of service was delivering to and leaving personally the above-described documents with Gary Dowling who confirmed that he was the person authorized to accept service for the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York.
4. Gary Dowling accepted the service and then stamped and signed a copy of the cover letter regarding the service from the New York Civil Liberties Union. He then provided to me this signed and stamped copy of the letter after service was completed as confirmation of receipt. A true and correct copy of the stamped and signed copy of this cover letter is attached to this affirmation as **Exhibit A**.
5. It is my belief that Gary Dowling is not in the Military Service of the State of New York or the United States as the term is defined in either the State or Federal statutes.
6. The description of the person on whom service was effectuated is as follows: white man of 28-45 years of age, 5'10"-6'1" tall. He was wearing a white New York Rangers baseball cap with a dark blue brim; a long-sleeve, dark blue, high-neck New York Rangers sweater with a full zip; light blue distressed jeans; and white Air Jordan sneakers with a black heel.

I affirm this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025, under the penalties of perjury under the laws of New York, which may include a fine or imprisonment, that the foregoing is true, and I understand that this document may be filed in an action or proceeding in a court of law.

Dated: March 11, 2025  
New York, New York

Sworn onto before me this 11<sup>th</sup> Day  
of March, 2025:

Robert Andrew Hodgson  
Notary Public, State of New York  
Reg. No. 02HO0013228  
Qualified in KINGS County  
Commission Expires 09/07/2027

  
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NOTARY PUBLIC